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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the PTO Official Action mailed on July 01, 1998, applicants present the following remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required restriction under 35 USC §121 as follows:

Group I. Claims 1-14, drawn to peptides of MART-1, classified in class 530, subclass 328 and 350+;

Group II. Claims 15-26, and 29-31 drawn to peptides of gp100, classified in class 530, subclass 328;

Group III. Claims 32-35, drawn to nucleic acid sequences, classified in Class 536, subclass 23.1+, and

Group IV. Claims 36-38, drawn to antibodies, classified in Class 530, subclass 387.7.